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Editorial Comment

OVER THE TOP AGAIN

"Appomattox exceeds all of its Victory Loan quotas!"

How proud we are to print that message this week!

To those who sold the Victory Bonds...

The war record of Appomattox County is indeed an enviable one and has been shared in by so many.

Still Stirring Times

These are still stirring times, although the daily headlines are not quite so sensational.

For the first time in five years our nation has a Christmas time of peace. For many nations it has been longer than five years.

The lights are on again!

But for how long?

In many parts of the world there is still fighting. War still rages in many parts of the Far East, and smolders in Europe and the Near East.

"Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men!" War as ideal, what a challenge! Prejudice, ignorance, greed must be banished. Peace must be the goal. Let us pray for wisdom and strength to solve them. Renewal, alignment of the God gives us.

Fearful Highway Toll

The injury to General Patton will focus attention anew on the appalling toll of automotive accidents. Three times as many Americans were killed in October in automobile accidents, as Marines were killed at Tarawa!

President Truman has suggested that the Federal government may have to take a hand in an effort to curb the massive car on the highways. We don't know just what the Federal government could do, but we must try anything and everything.

Does Not Fully Explain

As expected, the public will lay blame for the slowness of new automobiles arriving on the market to the current strikes. Labor will be blamed by many of those who can't get a new car for Christmas, and as the early months of 1946 come and go, with only a few new cars available, the public is likely to be pretty sore with organized labor.

But we are not so sure that the viewpoint will be correct.

If we contend that there would be cars on the market but for strikes, then now are we to explain the shortage of?

Radio Refrigerators

White shirts

Electric trains

Black pepper

Farm machinery

Nylons

Add hundreds of other things, the making and distribution of which in most cases have not been hampered by strikes!

How about a Congressional investigation to probe the effect of the repeal of the excess profits tax as of January 1, 1946, on the production and distribution front?

We dislike strikes.

We wish the auto workers would go on back to work.

Certainly there won't be new cars until somebody makes them.

We favor fact-finding boards to get at the bottom of disputes in the public interest. Such boards could brush away a lot of misinformation.

Nine more shopping days until Christmas.

Play safe—drive carefully.

General Marshall expresses regret for revelation that U. S. had cracked Jap secret code.

Government has disposed of 300 plants to industry.

Views vary on big U. S. loan to Great Britain.

Russian accuses Vatican of aiding fascism.

Ghandi to meet General Wavell in Calcutta.

Foreign Minister of Big Three to meet in Moscow.

Washington Redskins win professional football title in east.

Phone 24-4th, Appomattox.

1946 Model



"GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers-WNU Features

By NANCY PEPPER

HOW'S YOUR HEART?

Are you frenetic (going steady) or are you an Orphan Annie? Just read through some of the high school newspapers and you'll see that one of the favorite topics is the Jack-and-Jill with whom. Here's riding (that's going steady, too or shot down in flames (jilted).

It's On-She's wearing a dog collar around her neck and on the little name plate, she has "His name or initials engraved."

That's the name of the school version of an engagement ring. If it's On-She wears one of these dog-collared hearts around her neck with a jagger line painted down the center in red nail polish. Any Stupid could see that her heart is broken, can't he?

Insults With a Smile.

Pull an envelope over your head and mail it to the Dead Letter Office.

Why don't you join the cavalry and release a mail for active duty?

What's that hanging from your forehead? Oh, it's your nose.

Just because you have a nose like a doorknob, don't think you have what.

S64 Question

What does the stocking say to the leg?

You stay here, I've gotta run.

Balsam Fir Chosen by Heavenly Messengers

According to Angelus, who converted the Virgin to Christianity, the Lord sent Faith, Hope and Charity to earth to select His Christmas tree.

They selected the Balsam Fir, because it was as high as Hope, as wide as Love, and bore the sign of the cross on every branch.

Considerable number of cases of flu are reported.

Peter B. Peeve

"MEN ARE BUT CHILDREN OF A LARGER GROWTH"

(WNU Service)

TOYS

CHILDREN'S PLAYROOM ON TOP FLOOR

Juvenile Crime Is

Shown Increasing

Solution of Problem Local

Matter, Says FBI.

WASHINGTON — Despite the measures that have been taken by the private citizen and law enforcement officer alike, the tide of juvenile delinquency is rising on our home front. During the first six months of 1946 the FBI found there was a 6.6 per cent increase in arrests of boys and girls under 21 years of age as compared with the same period of 1945.

Also during the first half of this year, persons too young to vote accounted for 21.4 per cent of all arrests and those under 23 were involved in 35.1 per cent of the cases. Seventeen-year-olds continued to account for more arrests than any other age group.

Alarming increases are reflected in the comparison of fingerprint arrest statistics compiled by the FBI for the first six months of 1946. Arrests of boys under 21 increased 23.8 per cent for offenses against the person (murder, rape and assault), 11.2 per cent for offenses against property, and 12.4 per cent for offenses against decency.

Arrests of girls under 21 increased 5.1 per cent for offenses against the person and 9.2 per cent for property offenses.

From the FBI's study of the subject, it is clearly evident that the solution to the problem is a local matter. In many communities, churches, schools and civic groups are being taken up on the challenge and are instituting wholesome programs designed to attract youth to the ways of good citizenship.

In the American home, however, which holds the ultimate answer, parental influence, greed and selfishness can have an effect on children. No youth should be denied his heritage of a happy home life and training.

The FBI has found that while war conditions have aggravated our nation's juvenile delinquency problem, it is a trend which began in the years of peace and has pyramided to engulfing magnitude. Further delay in meeting the challenge will prove costly for the juvenile delinquents of today will be the hardened criminals of tomorrow.

Father Killed Fleeing

Court With Daughter

MEMPHIS, TENN. — C. D. Winfield, 31, died in a hospital 36 hours after he was killed by a deputy's bullet as he sought to flee a court with his young daughter.

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Clark said Griffin was shot by Humes after the deputy failed in efforts to kick the father out of the hands. Humes was absolved of blame.

Come on, Ladies, No Tax

Cut Near, Fur Sellers Say

WASHINGTON — The fur industry recently advised mink to go ahead and buy. Fur sellers say that federal taxes on furs cut their profit by 25 per cent.

Treasury officials pointed out that under existing law, the fur tax of 20 per cent will automatically go down to 10 per cent six months after President Truman's inauguration. They said that war is officially over.

The catch is that Mr. Truman has indicated he doesn't intend to issue such a proclamation for a long time. Industry officials became alarmed after thousands of women canceled orders for coats in expectation of a lower tax.

Butcher Uses Ads to Lift

Culture of His Customers

LISBON FALLS, MAINE — When meat is sold, Herman Schultz, a Lisbon Falls butcher, obviously is using his spare time to brush up on his literature.

Proof of his gleanings was disclosed in an ad which ran in the Lisbon Falls Enterprise. Schultz advertised that he was a "man of letters and a student of the classics."

This is a fast, to keep the order lean and clean." Reiter Herrick, the vice of food, "George Bernard Shaw."

Hungry rooster don't cackle Remus. "Let us be sure that they mean more than just to pay formal recognition to a great man and a distinguished meat teacher. He is the Saviour, and there is none other (Acts 4:12)."

Many Draft Rejections

Are Due to Mental Ills

WASHINGTON — More than a third of rejections for military service are due to mental illness or defects, Draft Chief Hershey said today.

This cause figured in men turned down, the general test, before a house interstate subcommittee considering a bill to coordinate study, treatment and prevention of mental disorders.

IMPROVED SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By HAROLD L. LINDQUIST, D.D., Theology Bible Teacher of Bible Training School, Minneapolis, Minn.

Lesson for December 16

Lesson subjects and scriptures: EXALTING CHRIST IN THE LIFE OF THE NATION

LESSON TEXT: Isaiah 52:1-5; Luke 1:1-4

GOLDEN TEXT: For with a child's heart, a man is to be a child.

This name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

When Jesus came, He brought peace to the world.

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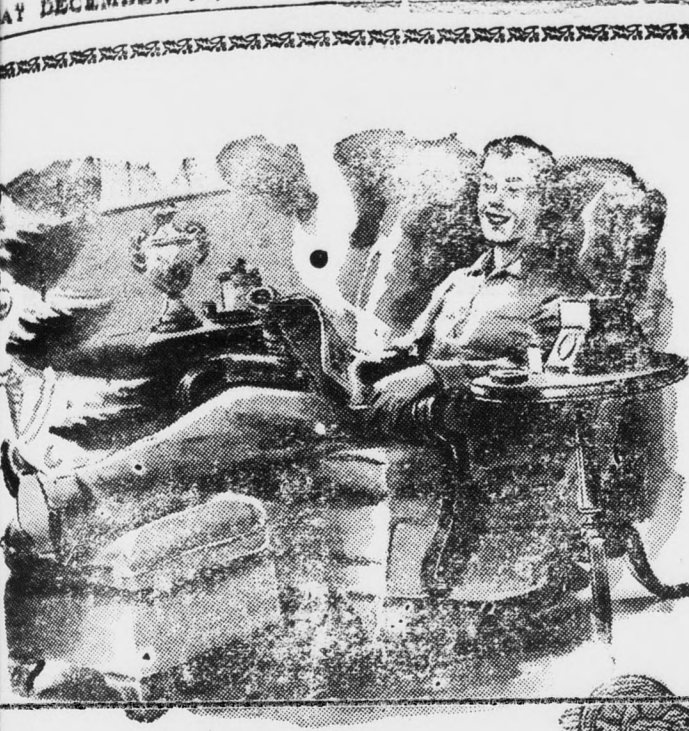
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JUST THE CHAIR for His Christmas Homecoming

Many Other Styles to Choose From

A tilt type lounge chair like this is a wonderful substitute for the misery of a fashable and the serviceman will appreciate it. This big, oversize chair fits to any desired angle and it is packed with scores of coil springs to give cushion softness and a degree of comfort that is simply ideal! It is covered in fine grade of long wearing tapestry and in choice of three popular colors.

Christmas candles can take many shapes and forms, many may be made at home, or purchased on the market, to suit the decorative effect desired.

Save Greeting Cards for Making Different Unique Gift Decorations

Here's a suggestion that will make your friends wish they had thought of it first.

Don't throw away the lovely greeting cards you have received and saved during the year. Keep them as ornaments for packages, or to decorate an otherwise plain wall.

The next time you wrap a gift, someone, glance through the greeting cards you have saved and pick out one with a colorful or appropriate picture on it. Cut the picture out neatly, glue or paste it on your gift wrapping. That's all there is to it.

There are many number of objects about the house that cutouts from greeting cards might brighten: closets, doors, furniture, waste paper baskets, screens and cigarette boxes. Pasted on and coated with a preservative of clear shellac, greeting cards can serve a variety of decorative purposes.

Decorative and distinctive gift novelties can be made from them.

Colorful Homemade Decorations Lend Gaiety to Christmas Tree

Contriving homemade Christmas wreaths is a family project that can provide for the youngsters and adults alike. Moreover, it offers chances for ingenuity in design that may awaken the inventive spirit of everybody concerned.

The materials are usually not hard to find. Designs can be based on a few basic ideas which can be expanded into almost endless variations.

For Christmas wreaths, various greenery, holly, pine, spruce, are of course, the principal ingredients. The greens may be arranged in a convenient form, among common varieties are holly, pine, spruce.

After the wreath is finished it is still possible to add decorative features, such as pine cones, berries or small fruits. These should be wired at the stems and then fastened securely to the wreath.

Sizes and types of wreaths will depend on the materials available and to a certain extent on the family's geographical location. But many variations on the basic design will suggest themselves, once the project of wreath-making is undertaken.

Nightly Posadas Drama Of Nine-Day Christmas

In Mexico, "Posadas" commemorate the journey of Mary and Joseph and their attendant angels, finding lodging in Bethlehem.

Families and friends are divided into two groups—the Holy Pilgrims and the Cruel Hearted Innkeepers. The Pilgrims, led by an angel guiding Mary and Joseph, march through the house carrying lighted candles and singing the Litany of Loretto.

The Innkeepers slip into a room and close the door. Soon Joseph, weary traveler, which is refused until much coaxing and explanation reveal how desperately Mary needs shelter and the Pilgrims are finally admitted whereupon the whole assembly kneels in prayer before an improvised altar.

After the "Posada" is over, refreshments are served and the evening is spent in jollification.

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